There's Too Much Talent And Very Few Openings For Our Fine Young Men

News of Gehring's Return and Johnson's Probable Recovery a Solar Plexus Blow to Ambitious Youngsters on Cantillon's Staff.

By THOMAS S. RICE.

ager Cantillon received word this morn-ing from Hank Gehring, the pitcher, that Mrs. Gehring, who has been very ill, is somewhat better and Hank expects to be on the diamond in a few

This complicates the pitcher problem of the Washington club some more. We are bothered just as present by too nuch talent. They are hedging minor

nounced his intention of donning the spangles again within a reasonable time, there is little hope for Keeley, Cates, Peterson, Wilson, and possibly Oberlin.
The permanent staff of slabmen
will almost positively be limited
to six, which will probably be Hughes, C. Smith, Falkenberg, Patten, Hughes, C. Smith, Falkenberg, Patten, Johnson, and Burns. If a seventh main is kept in reserve Gehring looks like the one for the job. Burns is practically a fixture already because he is not only delivering the goods but is a southpaw, and Patten is our only other sidewheeler. Two left-handed twirlers are necessary assats.

necessary assets. It will be some time before the hole in Johnson's skull heals sufficiently for him to take a chance in baseball, so him to take a chance in baseball, so Gebring will most likely be found posing for his photo in Washington on opening day there, April 22, for none of the youngsters here has displayed form enough to supplant the handy Hank who pitched ten games for Washington last year and had .300 per central victories, which was better than Graham, Falkenberg, and Oberlin.

Seven in Early Stages.

For the first month of the American League season we may have seven pitchers without Johnson, and Cantillon is now figuring who is to receive that temporary honor and emolument. He will work Burns steadily in the exhibition games partly because he is already in perfect shape and partly to get him used to the team and its methods. Cates, Wilson, Oberlin, Keeley, and Peterson will also get thorough trials as

we move eastward, and the best man of the four will be remembered. Cantillon is not going to stand for any more prolonged slumps, such as hit some of our very best slabmen in their percentage very best slabmen in their percentage wen columns last year and made the fans groan aloud. Should any of our present stars develop symptoms next summer of being absolutely unable to win a game unless the other team falls dead, they will draw a long package of rest and quiet until they hit their stride again or demonstrate clearly that their days of usefulness in Washington are over, in which case they will be thrown upon the market.

Here's the Problem.

not be so securely tied to any other job that it will take more than a low whistle from Manager Cantillon to bring them back to him.

Burns, Cates, and Keeley will probably be the twirlers taken to Houston ably be the twirlers taken to Houston for the games there tomorrow and Sunday. Wilson may also be given a look in. This is taking a big chance on landing that celler championship of the world, but when it was suggested to our daring manager that he might be kidded for the rest of his natural life should he land that uncoveted honor, he cheerfully remarked he would stand the gaff without kicking if the games showed him anything of importance in the pitching line, Just the same, the rest of the gang cannot help wishing

GALVESTON, Tex., March 13.—Manger Cantillon received word this mornger Cantillon received word this mornpennants that are sometimes forced upon us.

Classy Fielding.

The fielding in the exhibition yester-day in which the Regulars shut out the Yanigans 5 to 0, was decidedly classy, despite the appalling list of errors. The action was extremely fast, and the men were told to go as far as they liked in much talent. They are nedging minor league players about with so many restrictions these days that a major league manager cannot keep 4 likely youngster under cover more than a certain the matter of throwing. All the pitchers used curves to their hearts' content, and the other men did not hesitate to snap them under or over hand. The three double plays were ideal, and nother matter of throwing. the matter of throwing. All the pitchers used curves to their hearts' content, three double plays were ideal, and noth-

sague manager cover more than a certain length of time without creating great scandal among the neighbors, yet there is not one of the twirlers in the camp here whom Cantillon would willingly lose. They have all shown unusual ability for youngsters and all should be valuable either this year or next.

Johnson Will Play.

The news that Walter Johnson would play again this season was a sad blow to our youthful aspirants, for that meant that one or more of them was doomed. Now that Gehring has announced his intention of donning the spangles again within a reasonable time, there is little hope for Keeley, Cates, Peterson, Wilson, and possibly Oberlin.

Cates a Comer.

Cates had the last turn for the Yanigans, and as the Regulars were ahead he did not have to pitch the last half of the rinth inning. He is a stocky fellow with a swift delivery, and will bear watching. Jucit Warner is going around watching. Jack Warner is going around telling the viliage gossips that his arm is better than it has been before in the spring for five years. He pegs the ball to second when there is no necessity, just to show how good he is, and his work yesterday bore out his statements. Street is feeling better this norning than he was yesterday, and expects 'catch one or both games in Houston.

Delehanty's Batting Eye. Jin: Delehanty's batting eye is as good

as ever, according to his statements and performances. He started with a two-bagger the first time up yesterday. He played with Ormond, in the Florida Hotel League, and says his team won twenty-one and lost only six games, While there his clouting was a big

feature.

The glare on the diamond here makes it hard to see the ball at times, and as a consequence Freeman made a sensational stop with his chin yesterday. Peterson's arm is very sore as a result of too much warming up when he first arrived. He also lost his pocketbook, with all his cash, the first day he arrived, and is far from happy.

The score;

FRANK GOTCH THROWS SWEDISH CHAMPION

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 13 .- Frank Gotch, the champion American wrestler last night defeated Hjalmar Lundin, the Swedish champion, in two straight falls.
The first fall, catch-as-catch-can, con-

sumed 124 minutes, while the second bout, Graeco-Roman, lasted 17 minutes



GROUP OF LEADING QUESTION MARKS SNAPPED ON GALVESTON GROUNDS

WHICH OF THESE WILL STAY AND WHICH WILL GO?



CONTEST PLANNED; A. A. A. WILL HELP

Club in Promoting Run.

board of the American Automobile for sociation, will draft the conditions of the next automobile contest given in Washington. He will also serve as referee.

The Washington Times will co-operate with the Automobile Club in conducting the contest.

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Announcement to this effect was made last night by Secretary Elliott, of American Automobile Association, at the smoker given by the Washington Automobile Club, at its Bungelow, at Brightwood, to celebrate the enolinent of seventy-four new members.

Must Be Real Test.

Necessity for more stringest and more severe conditions for the automobile York, when thirty-six contestants fin-ished with perfect scores, and there were only forty-one entries. It is planned to make the conditions so severe that only one, or two cars will be able to finish with a clean sheet. Chairman Beecroft drew up the conditions of a contest in Chicago, and they were so strong and unyielding that only one car finished with a perfect score.

Judge W. H. Hotchkiss, president of and the guest of honor last evening, made an address, in which he told of the objects of the organization over which he presides. He explained the good roads

wement throughout New York, and in an hour. The speaker declared there are seven members of the Buffalo club, unknown to the majority of members, who have police authority and prevent who have police authority and prevent wind the property of members, who have police authority and prevent wind the property of members, who have police authority and prevent wind the property of members, who have police authority and prevent men, on the appearance of your club house," said Judge Hotchkiss. "It is a splendid club and I am glad to see the laws it is necessary for auticists well ag through several States to pay lax to each for the privilege of crosshis mission to Washington.

President Hotchkiss said he and forty delegates representing fourteen States ame here to appear before the Judiciary Washington Times Will Committee of the House and ask for a liberal auto license. Under existing State laws it is necessary for autolists traveling through several States to pay a tax to each for the privilege of crossing State borders and using the roads. Work of Three A's.

The American Automobile Association Secretary Elliott f wants Congress to arrange matters so that one tag will register an autoist all over the country and obviate the disa-

over the country and obviate the disagreeable necessity of registering in each State entered and the payment of large taxes.

The American Automobile Association, said Judge Hotchkiss, has a membership of more than 200,000 and there are 200 clubs affiliated with it. These clubs represent twenty-one States. Thirty States will be represented before the beginning of the touring reason.

One of our objects is to get good roads. In New York we have the automobile owners and voters so enthusiastic over the proposition to better road conditions that \$50,000,000 has been appropriated for the improvement of highways. We intend to continue the good road work until it will be possible to travel in an automobile from one end of this country to the other on roads as good as those of France. And that is the millenium I hope for.

A Worthy Cause.

"Our fight for a Federal tag for our in an automobile with four wheels as any other four-wheel vehicles propelled penses of a smoker.

by a horse."
Judge Hotchkiss told of the formation of the Euffalo club six years ago with sixty members. Its membership is now 1,200 and it is the second largest club in America. He said the association was not in favor of restrictive laws for motorists, but believed that the man behind the wheel should be considered instead of the number of miles covered

Secretary Elliott followed with a talk on what the association had done to ward banding autoists all over the country together, and declared plans for trips anywhere in America could be had from headquarters in Buffalo for the asking. Mr. Elliott said arrange-ments had been made in Paris for American autolsts desiring to rent cars for tours or wishing information of any kind. He was positive that a Vanderbilt Cup race would be held in New York, Savannah, St. Louis, or Bridgeport, Conn., this year. President Robert Caverly, of the

Fresident Robert Caverly, of the Washington Automobile Club, then announced that the smoker was given in celebration of the enrollment of seventy-four new members to the club. He explained that when he sought to have the club admitted to the three A organization there were but eighty members and twenty more were needed. President Hotchkiss admitted the club on President Caverly's premise to secure a membership of 100, and a campaign for members was begun.

The membership was divided into two companies, one under the captaincy of F. S. Bliven and the other under Arthur Newmeyer. Both team captains agreed that the one securing the least number of new members was to defray the expenses of a smoker.

Membership Campaign,

The result of the campaign was that the Bliven team had corralled forty

plained that "Newmeyer's mixture was ad," and his machine could not equal

bad," and his machine could not equal the pace set by Bliven.

Mr. Newmeyer congratulated the victorious optain and his teammates. He said he was glad to learn that Chairman Beecroft, of the national body, would come to Washington to take charge of the next contest, and his announcement that The Washington Times would co-operate with the Washington Club in conducting the tests was warmly received by members, many of whom participated in the scaled bonnet contest last December.

The Entertainment.

A series of interesting moving pictures were shown on a screen. Principal among them was the interesting Paris automobile race and a farcical series on automobile race and a farcical series on "Purchasing an Automobile," which kept the audience in a constant uproan. Classical ballads were sung throughout the evening by the Madigrai Quartet, composed of James F. Mathleu, Leroy A. Gilder, James S. Hicks, Thomas T. Apple, and Charles E. Bartlett, director. At the conclusion of the program a repast was served in the billiard room.

LAST HOME CONTEST OF Y. M. C. A. QUINT

Tomorrow evening in the Young Men's Christian Association gymnasium the last home game of the association five in the Tri-City League will be played with the team from the West Branch

The game will be called at 8:30 and should be a good fast game, as the teams are evenly matched and both capable of putting up a good fast ex-Line-up of teams:

Positions.

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day, March 18. day, March 18.

Kid Murphy, the bantam boxer, will meet Solly Weinrib, formerly of Rochester, but now of this city. This will surely furnish one of the fastest battles between little men ever seen in Baltimore, as Murphy and Weinrib are both aggressive boxers and stand punishment,

RACE HORSE KILLED.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 13.→ Nutbearer, the \$20,000 racehorse, who was killed in his stable by some un-known person, will be mounted for J. C. Hubinger, owner of the animal. The body of the horse has been shipped to a firm in Rochester. N. Y.

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